PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

CHIEF HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE

DOCKET NO. 2021-130-S ORDER NO. 2021-123-H

SEPTEMBER 20, 2021

CHIEF HEARING OFFICER: David Butler

DOCKET DESCRIPTION:

Joint Application for Approval of the Sale of Assets and Transfer of Facilities, Territory and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from Synergy Utilities, L.P. to South Carolina Water Utilities, Incorporated

MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Motion for Continuance of Hearing Scheduled for September 21, 2022

CHIEF HEARING OFFICER'S ACTION:

This matter comes before the Chief Hearing Officer on the Motion of Counsel for South Carolina Water Utilities, Inc. for a continuance of the hearing scheduled for September 21, 2021 to a later date. All other counsel in the Docket consent to the Motion. The grounds for the Motion are that the parties are very close to reaching a settlement, and counsel believes that the parties would benefit from additional time to finalize the documents.

The continuance is granted until further notice of the Commission. If the matter is settled, the parties shall file the appropriate documents with the Commission on or before the close of business on October 20, 2021. A settlement hearing may then be scheduled by the Commission for a later date. If the parties do not reach a Settlement by October 20, 2021, the parties shall notify the Commission, and the Commission will reschedule the hearing on the merits of the case, or take such other action as may be appropriate.

To summarize, the hearing scheduled for September 21, 2021 is continued until further notice. Settlement documents shall be filed with the Commission by October 20, 2021. This ends the Chief Hearing Officer's Directive.